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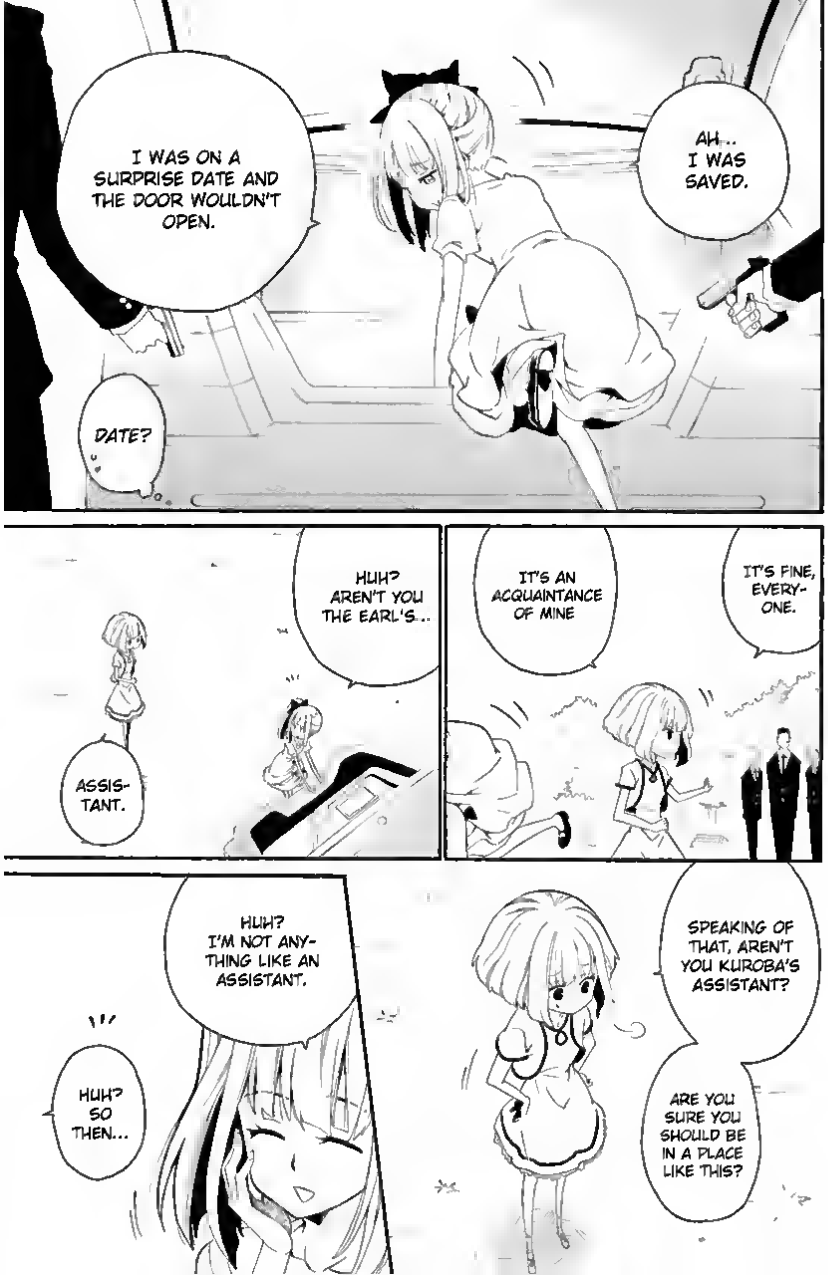
BANG
BANG
BANG
PLEASE GET DOWN!!
straffle
GET BEHIND US!!
BANG
BANG
IN THERE...!?
SOMEONE'S...
WHAT...?

Case.23 [Criminal Mark]

silence...
31-12
PHEW...
31-12
BAM
DON'T MOVE!!

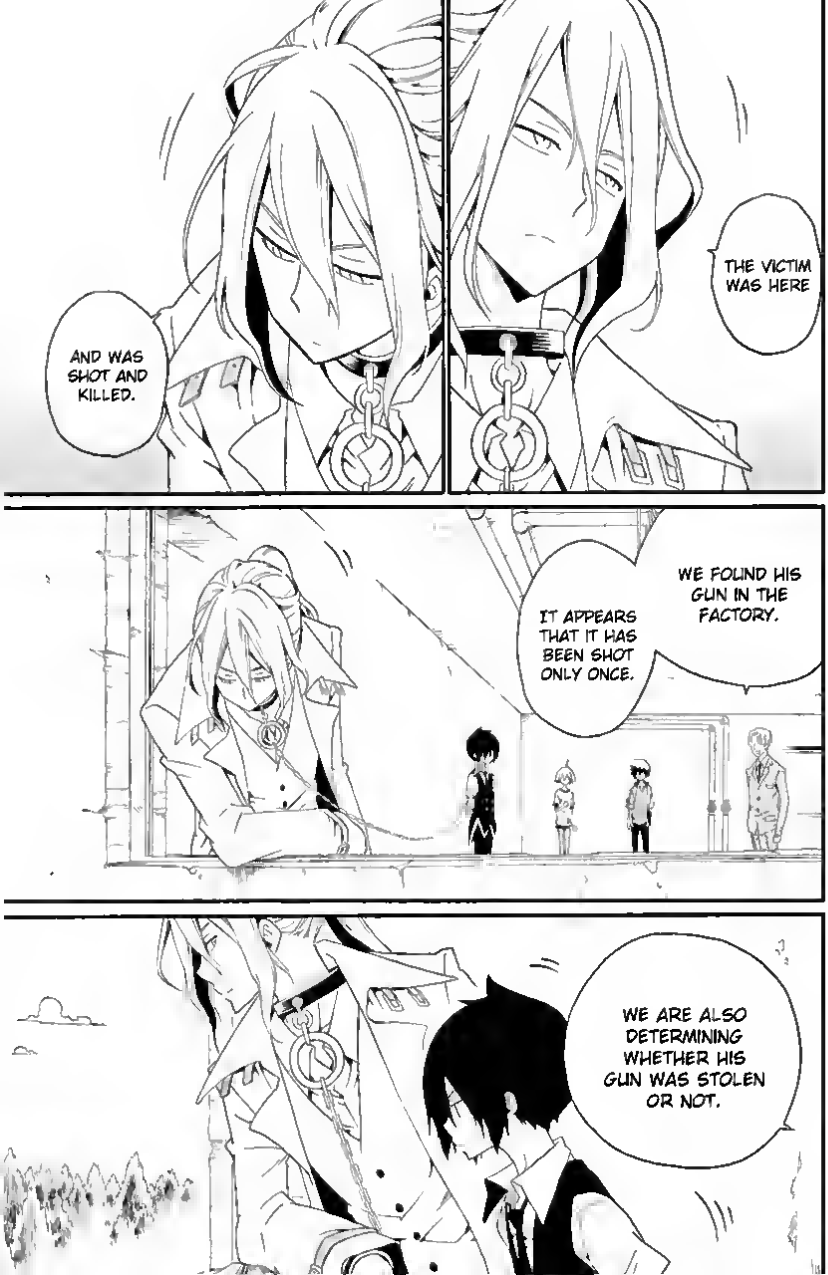
Ah.
W... WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THERE!?
I MET YOU AT THAT PARTY!!
shock
YOU!!


I WAS ON A SURPRISE DATE AND THE DOOR WOULDN'T OPEN.
AH.. I WAS SAVED.
DATE?
HUH? AREN'T YOU THE EARL'S..
ASSIS-TANT.
IT'S AN ACQUAINTANCE OF MINE
IT'S FINE, EVERY-ONE.
HUH? I'M NOT ANY-THING LIKE AN ASSISTANT.
HUH? SO THEN...
SPEAKING OF THAT, AREN'T YOU KUROBA'S ASSISTANT?
ARE YOU SURE YOU SHOULD BE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

SHOCK
ズギャーン
I'M KUROBA'S FIANCÉE.
!!!
SHOCK
WELL, WE'RE PRACTICALLY ALREADY A MARRIED COUPLE.
blush
F FIANCÉE
SEE, I HAVE THIS RING AS WELL ♥
W-WELL, THE PROBLEM IS TIMING I GUESS...
ARE YOU ON YOUR WAY TO MARRYING THE EARL AS WELL?

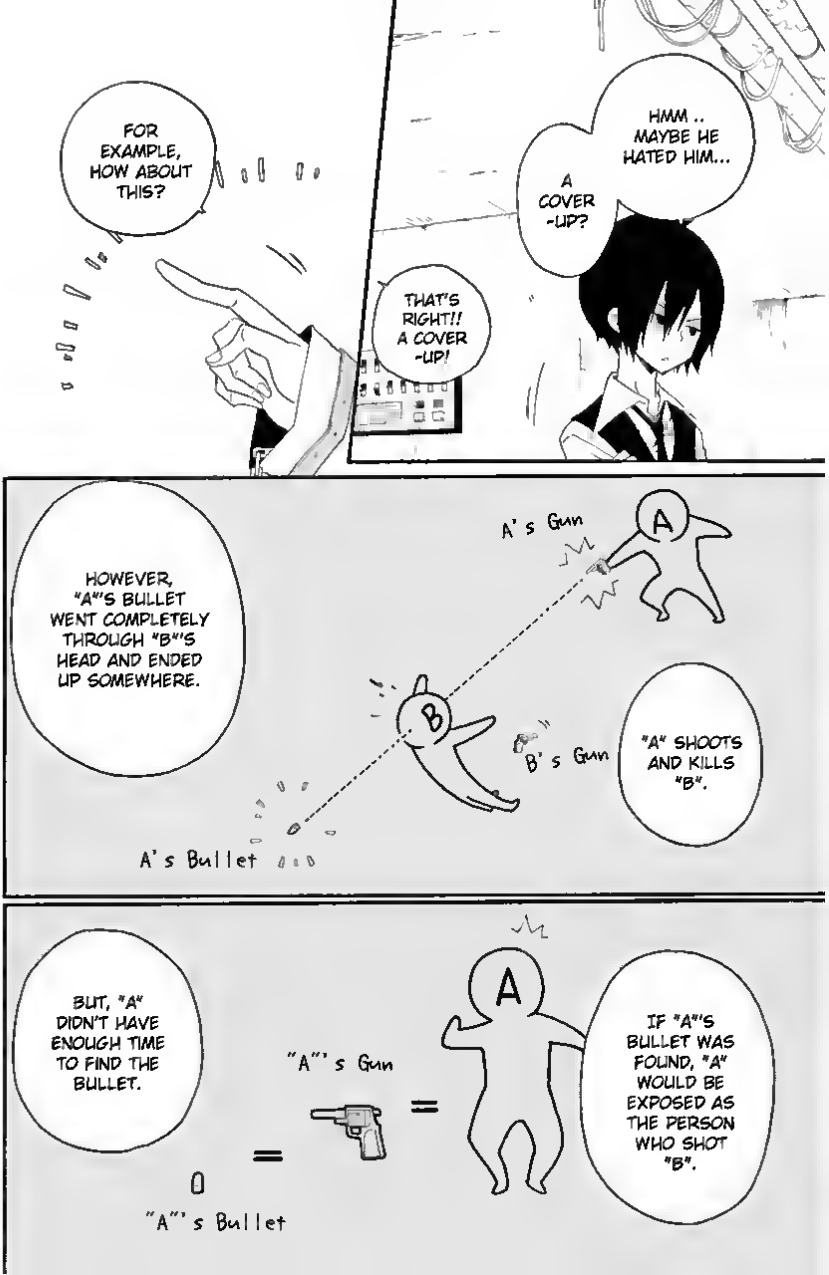
SHOCK
ズドーン
I MEAN EARLIER HE SAID "YOU'RE AN IMPORTANT PERSON TO ME" AND STROKED MY HEAD!!
...
...
...
IS THAT SO..
S... STROKED..
SHAKE
THERE'S A WICKED FORCE COMING FROM THE GIRLS...
RING
STROKED

JUST HOW LONG ARE THEY GONNA TAKE?
QUICKLY COME BACK.
KEEP OUT
立入禁止
SO THIS IS WHERE HE WAS MURDERED?


THE VICTIM WAS HERE
AND WAS SHOT AND KILLED.
WE FOUND HIS GUN IN THE FACTORY.
IT APPEARS THAT IT HAS BEEN SHOT ONLY ONCE.
WE ARE ALSO DETERMINING WHETHER HIS GUN WAS STOLEN OR NOT.

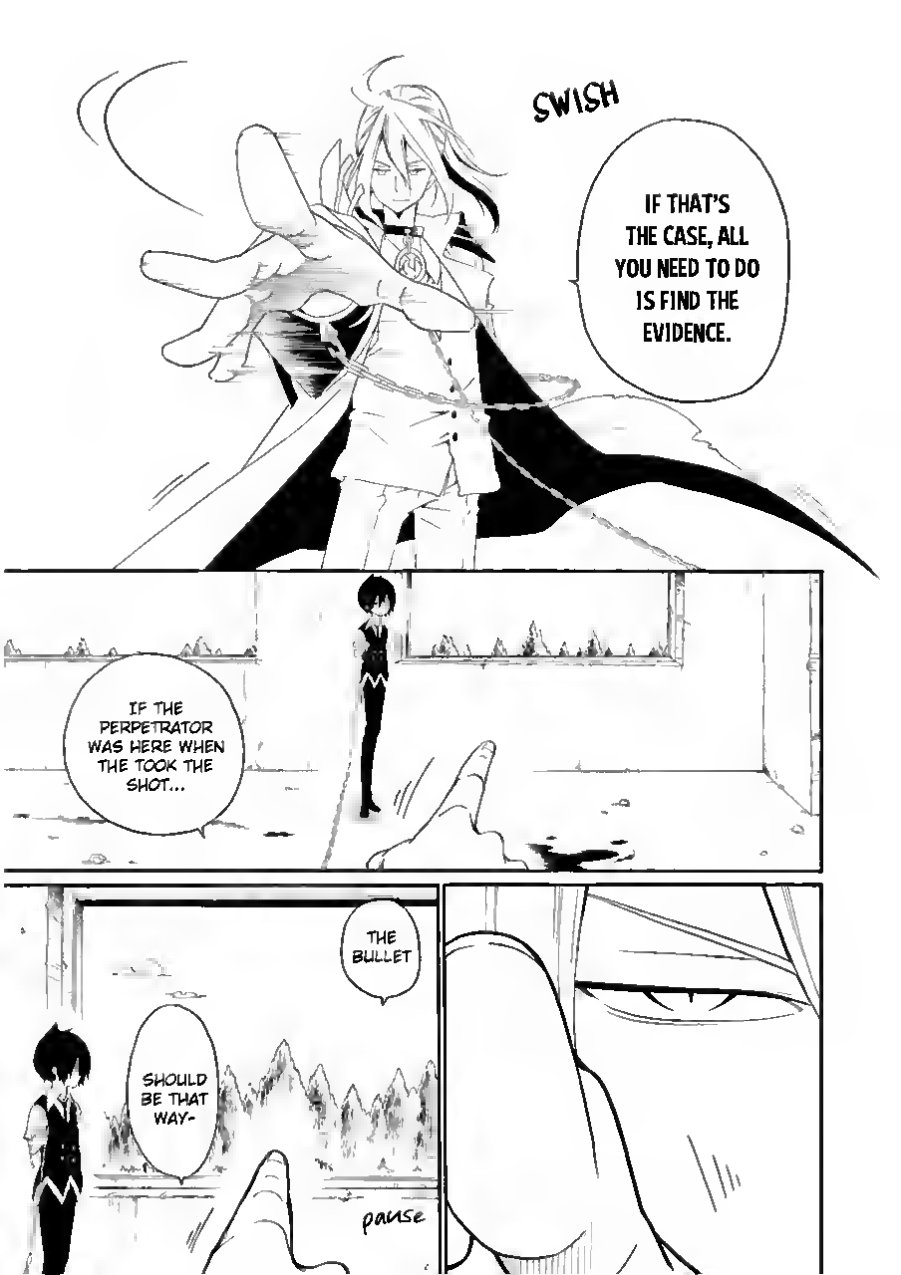
I DON'T BELIEVE IT...
Tch...
...THE ONE THING I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY HE SMASHED HIS HEAD.
HAHA, THAT'S A GOOD FOCUS.
HE BROUGHT THE BODY DOWN THE STAIRS TO THE PULVERIZING MACHINE.

I WONDER WHY.
HUH, KUROBA? IF IT WERE YOU, WHAT WOULD BRING YOU TO WANT TO SMASH THE VICTIM'S HEAD?
HE MUST'VE HATED HIM!!


FOR EXAMPLE, HOW ABOUT THIS?
THAT'S RIGHT!! A COVER -UP!
HMM .. MAYBE HE HATED HIM...
A COVER -UP?
HOWEVER, "A"'S BULLET WENT COMPLETELY THROUGH "B"'S HEAD AND ENDED UP SOMEWHERE.
A's Gun
A
B
B's Gun
"A" SHOOTS AND KILLS "B".
A's Bullet
BUT, "A" DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO FIND THE BULLET.
"A"'s Gun
=
=
0
"A"'s Bullet
A
IF "A"'S BULLET WAS FOUND, "A" WOULD BE EXPOSED AS THE PERSON WHO SHOT "B".

SO THEN, RIGHT BEFORE HIS EYES WAS A CLEAR DEATH FROM A SHOOTING.
THE MARKS FROM THE EARLIER BULLET ENTRY WOULD SHATTER INTO PIECES.
IT'S THEN CONSISTENT WITH FINDING "B"'S BULLET.
SHORTLY AFTER, "A" STOLE "B"'S GUN AND SHOT THE HEAD ONCE.
"B"'s gun
FOR THAT REASON, HE..
WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL ... HUH.
THE EXISTENCE OF "A"'S BULLET IS UNKNOWN TO ANYONE
AND THE CULPRIT "A" ESCAPES.

shudder...
PUT-TING IT SIMPLY ...
step
step
SPEAKING OF WHICH, ISN'T HE A SERIAL KILLER...
THAT'S HOW I WOULD DO IT.


SWISH
IF THAT'S THE CASE, ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS FIND THE EVIDENCE.
IF THE PERPETRATOR WAS HERE WHEN THE TOOK THE SHOT...
THE BULLET
SHOULD BE THAT WAY-
pause

!!!
SERI-OUSLY!!?
IT'S THERE!!?
FOUND IT.
THE "CRIMINAL'S MARK".

AHAHA, IT SEEMS THAT WAY, HUH.
YOU'RE LYING... HOW DID HE KNOW THAT!?
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT THE CULPRIT!?
ANYHOW, IT'S BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THE CULPRIT'S ACTIONS MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE.
SMile

SERIOUSLY!?
SO THEN, A NEW CLUE HAS BEEN FOUND.
IF YOU INVESTIGATE THAT, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND THE PERPETRATOR.
FINALLY!! WITH THIS, I CAN FINALLY PROVE HE WAS INNOCENT!!
NO... THAT'S NOT NECESSARY.
QUICKLY MAKE THE CALL AND LET'S INVESTIGATE IT!!
...
INSPECTOR!! THIS IS IMPORTANT EVIDENCE!

click
!!?
RATHER, IT WOULD CAUSE ME A LOT OF TROUBLE.
BECAUSE EVERYONE WOULD KNOW I'M THE CULPRIT!
I HAD NO IDEA, I'D BE FOUND OUT THIS QUICKLY.
HE'S RIGHT.
SERIOUSLY... I HAD A BAD FEELING WHEN THE HIGHER-UPS TOLD ME TO CALL A DETECTIVE FROM WITHIN, BUT...
IN... INSPECTOR!?

I FOUND HIM AT THE TRANSACTION SPOT AND I HAD TO SHUT HIM UP
THAT GUY WAS SNIFFING ME OUT.
NO WAY... YOU!?
WHY...
HA...
I THOUGHT I DID A GOOD JOB CLEANING UP, BUT
ONCE ONE DIFFICULTY GOES AWAY, ANOTHER ONE COMES...
ISN'T THERE SOMEONE HERE WHO COULD BE THE MURDERER AS WELL?
WHY ARE YOU SO CALM ABOUT THIS!?
EVEN IF YOU KILL US, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO ESCAPE!
IS THAT SO?

THE SERIAL KILLER, EARL.
HUH? ME?
I WOULDN'T DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
"HE WAS POSSESSED BY MADNESS AND HUNTED EVERYONE DOWN BEFORE I COULD STOP HIM".
I THINK THAT'S A GOOD STORY...

NOW THEN,
WHO WANTS TO DIE?
YOU ACT AS A DISTRACTION AND IN THAT OPENING I'LL STEAL HIS GUN.
OI... WHAT DO WE DO, KUROBA!?
STOP JOKING AROUND, YOU GO.
tap
tap
tap
tap
IF YOU GUYS JUST STAY THERE AND WATCH...
I HAVE AN IDEA.
IT'S ALRIGHT.

BECAUSE YOU GUYS ARE TAKING SUCH A LONG TIME, I CAME TO CHECK...
!
!!!
HUH? EVERYONE'S OVER HERE.
DON'T COME, RUI!!
DON'T!!
TCH...

BANG
HUH...

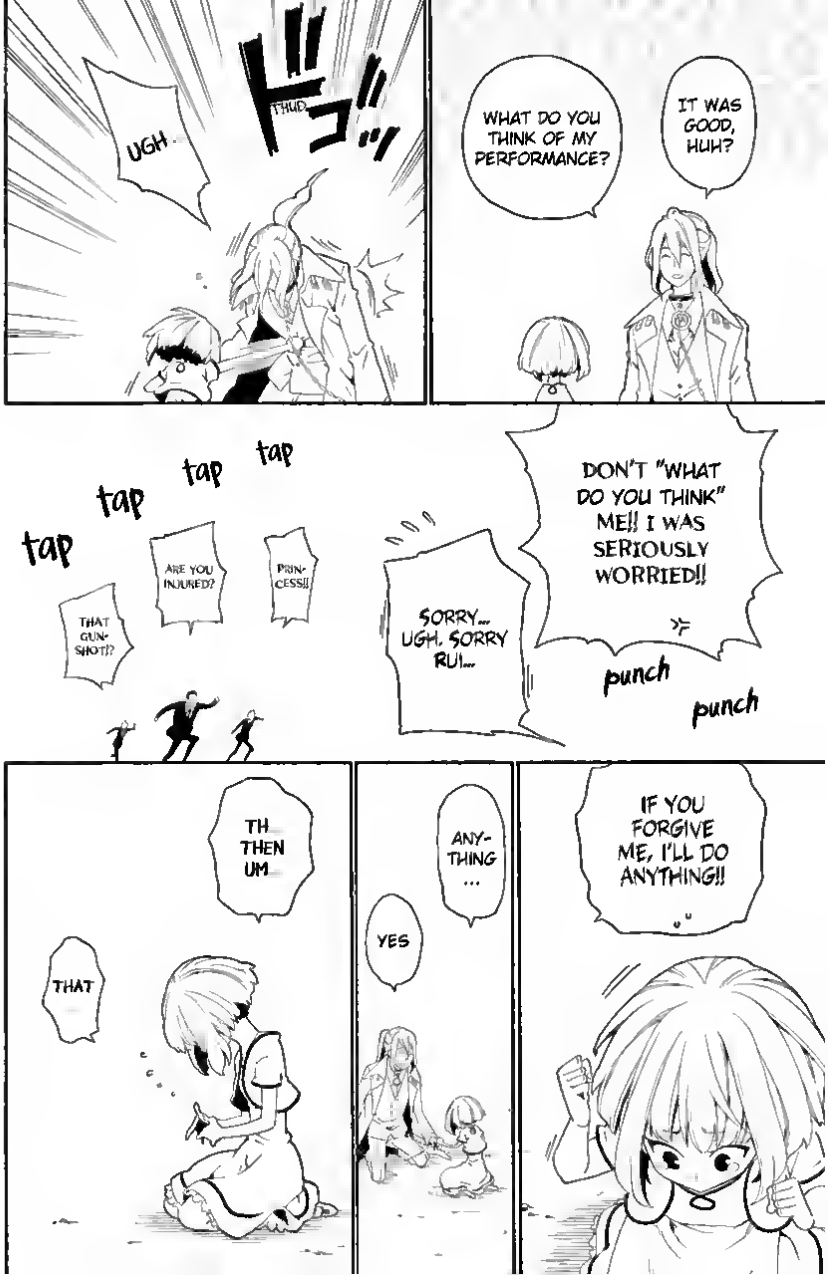
EARL!!
THUMP
HUH?
FUCK-ER!!
dash
SHIT!! THIS IS GETTING OUT OF ORDER
reload

THUD
!!
SKID
EARL ASH-FORD!?
EARL!?
GOT THE GUN!!
HIBI-NO!!
YOU ASS-HOLE!!
punch
punch
GAH!

LIE... THIS IS A LIE, RIGHT?
PLEASE GET UP, EARL!!
LIKE THIS... NO!
EVEN THOUGH I WAS RESPON-SIBLE...
IT'S MY FAULT
Like this...
RESPON-SIBLE...?

I'M FINE, RUI.
I'M IMMORTAL.
HUH
AHH, THAT WAS A BLANK...
BUT... I HEARD THE GUN ..
rummage
YEP, I WASN'T SHOT.
nod
EARL... YOU HAVE NO INJURY...!?

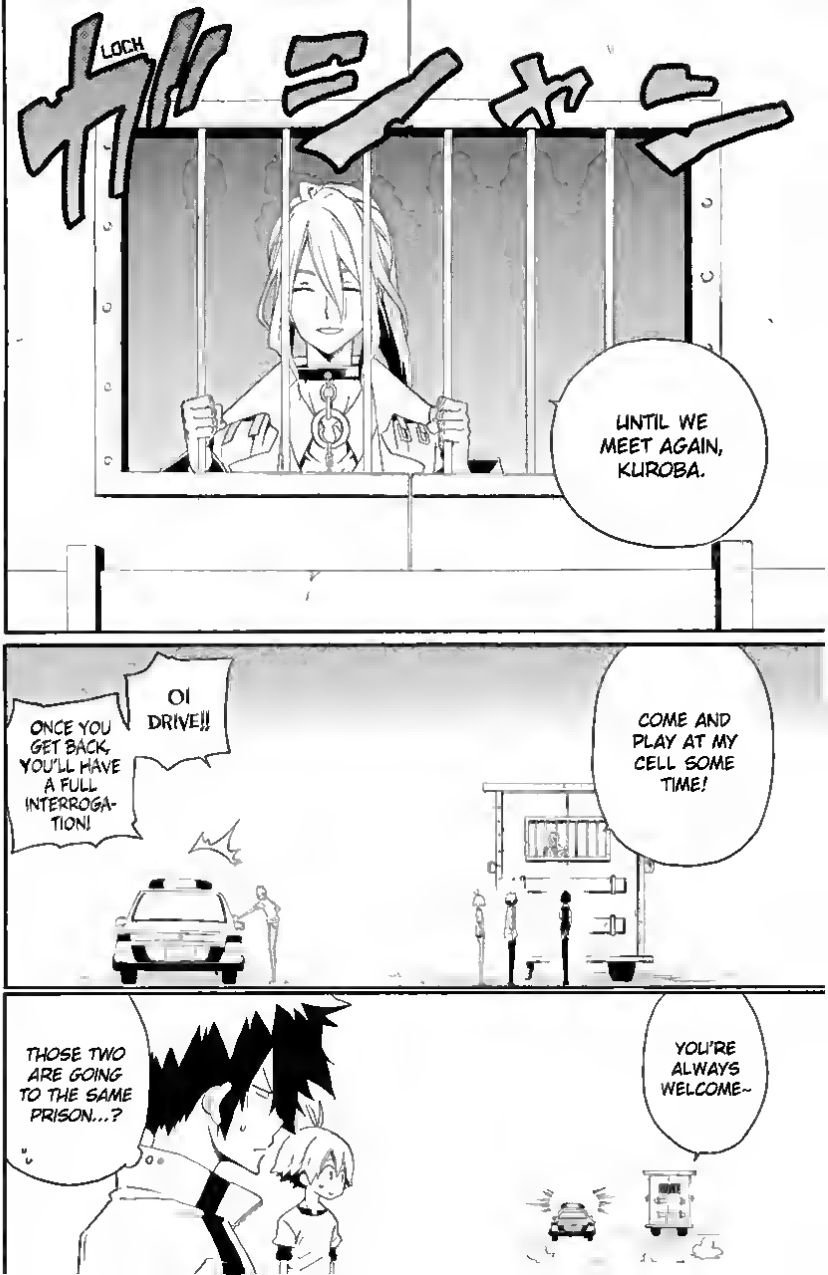
CLING
CLING
BEFORE COMING HERE, I SWITCHED THEM OUT IN ADVANCE.
!!!
NO WAY.
WHAT ...!?
ARE YOU SAYING YOU KNEW IT WAS HIM THEN!?
FOR THE SAKE OF MY OWN SAFETY, I SWAPPED THEM OUT.
I SIMPLY HAD AN ASSUMPTION THAT I'D BE CAUGHT UP IN HIS ACTIONS AND CONDUCT.


THUD
UGH
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MY PERFORMANCE?
IT WAS GOOD, HUH?
tap
tap
tap
tap
THAT GUN-SHOT!?
ARE YOU INJURED?
PRIN-CESS!!
SORRY... UGH, SORRY RUI...
DON'T "WHAT DO YOU THINK" ME!! I WAS SERIOUSLY WORRIED!!
punch
punch
TH THEN UM
THAT
YES
ANY-THING ...
IF YOU FORGIVE ME, I'LL DO ANYTHING!!

R
RING
UNDER-STOOD.
HM... YOU'RE FINE WITH THAT?
IF YOU CAN... I WANT YOU TO MATCH AS WELL...
YES!!
...YOU!!
LET'S QUICKLY PLACE AN ORDER.

SORRY, BUT COULD YOU GET RUI THE SAME
NECK RING AS MINE.
punch
GUHHH
WANTING SOME-THING LIKE THIS...
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT, RUI IS ALSO CHANGING,
AN AIRHEAD, I GUESS...
I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S SHARP OR NOT.
IT'S FINE AL-READY!!
R... RUI?

BUT,
IT SEEMS HIS INSIGHT REGARDING CRIMES IS THE REAL THING.
THIS TIME, IT'S MY LOSS.
THIS TIME AS WELL?
USAMI ---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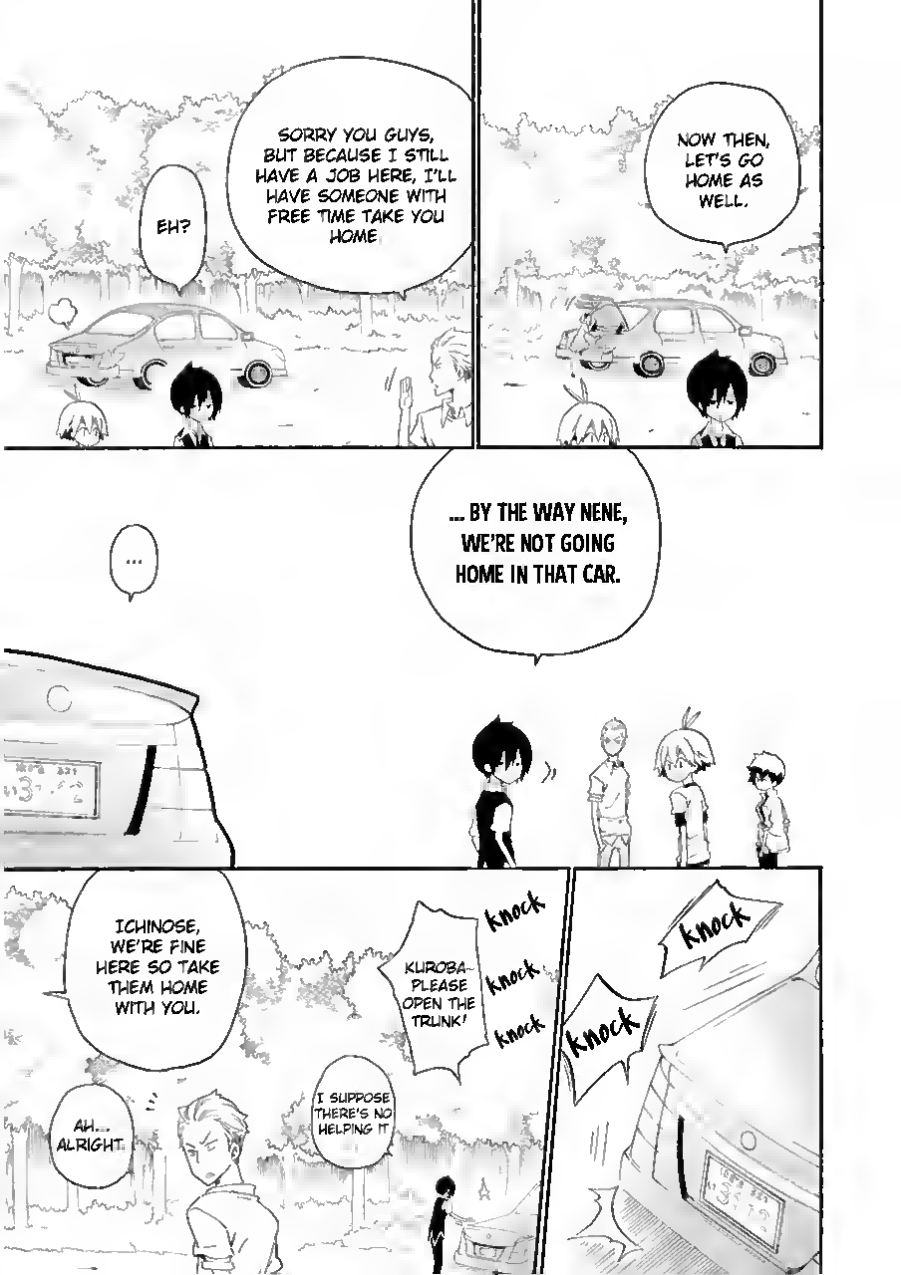
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, KUROBA.
OI DRIVE!!
ONCE YOU GET BACK, YOU'LL HAVE A FULL INTERROGATION!
COME AND PLAY AT MY CELL SOME TIME!
THOSE TWO ARE GOING TO THE SAME PRISON...?
YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME~


SORRY YOU GUYS, BUT BECAUSE I STILL HAVE A JOB HERE, I'LL HAVE SOMEONE WITH FREE TIME TAKE YOU HOME.
EH?
NOW THEN, LET'S GO HOME AS WELL.
... BY THE WAY NENE, WE'RE NOT GOING HOME IN THAT CAR.
...
ICHINOSE, WE'RE FINE HERE SO TAKE THEM HOME WITH YOU.
KUROBA- PLEASE OPEN THE TRUNK!
knock
knock
knock
knock
knock
knock
AH... ALRIGHT.
I SUPPOSE THERE'S NO HELPING IT

Unlock
KU-
RO-
BAA
AAA
AA~
BANG
OWWWW
WHAT THE
HELL ARE
YOU DOING...

Pet
ぽん
IS IT HERE?
HEY KUROBA, TURNS OUT WE'LL BE GOING HOME IN THAT CAR.
YEA... YOU'LL BE FINE, BUT THERE'S A LITTLE BUMP.
THEN, SHALL WE GO?
BANG
OH, THAT'S GOOD.
swoon
Pet.. Pet..
P..

WELL, TODAY WASN'T ALL THAT BAD.
BEING FORCED TO COME ALONG.
AH! STOP POKING AT THE WOUND!!
...
FROM NOW ON, I'M GONNA RELY ON THE EARL!
WELL, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT ANYMORE!!
A SERIAL KILLER, BUT BECAUSE THERE'S NO EVIDENCE, IT SEEMS THEY'RE UNABLE TO DO AN ARREST.
SERIOUSLY? SO HE'S SOME-THING LIKE A SELF-PROCLAIMED SERIAL KILLER?
ANYWAY, WHAT THE HELL IS THAT GUY...

I GUESS IT'S BECAUSE HE CAN THINK LIKE ONE OF THEM.
BUT IT SEEMS HE'S AN EXPERT IN CRIMINAL PSYCHOLOGY.
HE'S UNBEAT-ABLE!!
A DETECTIVE WHO CAN FULLY UNDERSTAND A CRIMINAL'S FEELINGS, HUH...
IT'S FINE.

AN OPPONENT LIKE THAT ISN'T BORING.

HUHHH? I CAN ONLY HEAR A SORE LOSER~
USAMI...
WHAT-EVER.
BY THE WAY, YOU'VE BEEN LISTENING TO SOMETHING FOR A WHILE NOW.
OH THIS?
Rui, for this afternoon's tea, I'd like Earl Gray as w...
... Huh? Rui?
You're still mad?

THE SECRET TO WINNING A BATTLE IS KNOWING YOUR ENEMY WELL.
THE E...
MMM!
?
YOU DID IT AGAIN ...?
beep
beep
I DIDN'T SIMPLY LOSE.

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